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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel¹⁶ claims 1-19, without prejudice or disclaimer and insert the following claims in lieu thereof:

A, 582/17-20. A composition comprising isocyanates, at least partially blocked by at least two different blocking agents, one of the blocking agents reacting with the isocyanate functional group via an OH group and the other reacting with the isocyanate functional group via an NH group or the two blocking agents reacting with the isocyanate functional group via an OH group, the two blocking agents having a deblocking temperature of between 80 and 200°C in the octanol test and being selected so that, in the octanol test at 110°C, the ratio

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